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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicant herewith respectfully requests the following amendments:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 12, 13, 17, 19, and 20 with the following clean claim.

12. A method of claim 10, wherein said radical key inputted in step (a) is one that represents the first radical according to the order of strokes of said designated Chinese characters.

13. A method of claim 10, wherein said radical key inputted in step (a) is one that represents the last radical according to the order of strikes of said designated Chinese character.

17. A method of claim 10, wherein said plurality of combination keys include a kind of combination keys uniting combination keys having a similar frame among all Chinese character combination frames.

19. The method of claim 10, which further comprises a step of displaying a designated Chinese character.


20. The method of claim 10, wherein the number of said radical keys is 146~214.

REMARKS

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner enter these amendments prior to examining the application on its merits. A marked-up copy of the claims is enclosed for your reference.

Respectfully submitted,

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frame of said radicals, said method comprising the steps of:

(a) inputting a radical key representing a radical selected from a plurality of radicals constituting said designated Chinese character;

(b) inputting a combination key corresponding to said designated Chinese character;

(c) inputting rest radical key(s) representing one more rest radical selected from said plurality of radicals constituting said designated Chinese character; and

(d) generating a Chinese character designated by said inputted radical key, combination key and rest radical key(s) sequentially from memory mean,

Whereby a Chinese character which is composed of one more radical key and a combination key is generated.

12. A method of claim 10 ~~or 11~~, wherein said radical key inputted in step (a) is one that represents the first radical according to the order of strokes of said designated Chinese character.

13. A method of claim 10 ~~or 11~~, wherein said radical key inputted in step (a) is one that represents the last radical according to the order of strokes of said designated Chinese character.

14. A method of claim 11, which further comprises a step of discriminating whether said designated Chinese character was designated.

15. A method of claim 11, wherein the number of said rest

radical key(s) is 1~3.

16. A method of claim 15, wherein when the number of said rest radicals are 3, a radical inputted at third stroke is a last radical key according to the order of strokes of said designated Chinese character.

17. A method of claim 10 ~~or 11~~, wherein said plurality of combination keys include a kind of combination keys uniting combination keys having a similar frame among all Chinese character combination frames.

18. The method of claim 17, wherein the number of said combination keys is 20~35.

19. The method of claim 10 ~~or 11~~, which further comprises a step of displaying a designated Chinese character.

20. The method of claim 10 ~~or 11~~, wherein the number of said radical keys is 146~214.